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"DEVICE TO DETECT PRESSURE IN AN X-RAY TUBE"

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SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,586,729

AB United States Patent No. 4,862,489

AL German PS 197 07 726

AM German PS 196 18 122

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The German counterpart to Reference AA, together with References AB, AL and AM, were cited in a Search Report from the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German Application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith. For the references in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary. Translations of References AL and AM are not readily available to the Applicants, however, each of those references has an English language abstract attached thereto.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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